

Minutes of January 27, 2008 Work Session of Jonestown Facilities Committee

Members present: Jim Conatser, Jim Scoggins, David Deeds, Heidi Wittenborn, Len Bejtlich

Also present: Chief Stetar

Jim Conatser called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

The committee first discussed the square foot costs of recently build police facilities. The members felt that this information would be useful to understanding what sort of budget would be needed to build a facility for Jonestown.

The committee next discussed the results of the on-site visits as follows:

Pflugerville–30,000 sq ft, \$11 million, Curtis Brown project

Chief Stetar reported that he saw a lot of features that could be incorporated into our facility including the style of windows, dispatch and jail facility layout, and lots of natural light and openness.

Jim Conaster reported that Curtis Brown had played a valuable role in the facility process but the chief in Pflugerville didn't think our project scope was large enough to need Curtis as a project manager. Jim also reported that the building had a good layout and facade.

Round Rock–129,000 sq ft, \$31 million, Moman project

Moman did the retrofit on the 1st police station before this project which was a warehouse retrofit. The Leander library was also visited. It had a nice facade. The old Round Rock facility work was not particularly relevant.

Rockport–12,000 sq ft for sheriff and police total, Burns project

This facility was two 6,000 sq ft mirror image facilities. The building was not super fancy but it flowed well. It had functional features like a pneumatic system to communicate between squadroom and dispatcher. The emergency operations center for hurricanes was well designed. There appeared to have been some skimping on materials but that may have been the client not the architect.

The meeting next reviewed the references. Unfortunately there were no responses to the written requests made to the references for Burns or Brown. Three responses were received to the written requests for references for Moman. Jim Conaster will request that the City Manager follow-up on the requests regarding Burns and Brown.

The meeting next discussed the pros and cons of each firm.

The meeting next considered how to grade the firms based on a set of criteria in order to get an apples to apples comparison.

Jim Conaster will call the firms to request a ball park number for total cost of a facility that meets the Chiefs specifications.

The committee's next meeting will be on February 7, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi M. Wittenborn, Secretary